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MRS. WILLIS JAMES GAVE NEW LIBRARY

Dr. Stryker Names Donor After Silence of Four Years. Daniel Burke '93 Used Influence

After safely keeping the secret of the donor of the new library since the announcement of the gift was made over four years ago, President Stryker unexpectedly divulged the name of Hamilton's benefactress to the college after chapel exercises Wednesday. The gift was made by the late Mrs. D. Willis James, of Madison, N. J., and New York City, widow of Daniel Willis James, a New York merchant and philanthropist who died in 1907. In announcing the donor, President Stryker said that the college had to thank Daniel Burke '93, a member of the Board of Trustees, for the gift, as it was mainly due to his efforts and those of his friend, Mr. W. W. Carman, that the building was secured. Both were present Wednesday morning and came in for some long yells by the college body.

Since the death of her husband in 1907, Mrs. James' estate has been in the hands of Mr. Carman, a personal friend of Mr. Burke. It was thru this connection that she became interested enough in Hamilton to present the magnificent $100,000 building which will long stand as a memorial to her on the Hill. Mrs. James' name was withheld at her own request, and since her death about a year ago it was deemed advisable to wait until the estate was settled before making any announcement.

Mr. James was a philanthropist and gave liberally to numerous educational institutions shortly before his death. In 1904 Union Theological Seminary received a million dollars to erect buildings on Morningside Heights, New York City. Amherst College, of which he was a trustee, received large sums of money, as did Oberlin, Columbia, Hartford Seminary and several others. In his will he left $100,000 each to Amherst, Cooper Union, Hampton Institute and several charitable societies. All these benefactions were kept secret, the family not wishing to be connected with the gifts for some time.

The gift of the library was first announced in 1913, Dr. Stryker withholding the donor's name by private agreement. The completed building was presented to the college by Hon. Elihu Root '64, representing the Trustees, on October 10, 1914. Numerous opinions as to the giver were hazarded at the time, not the least of which was Andrew Carnegie, who was present at the dedication, and at that time received the degree of LL. D. The ceremony passed, however, without the giver's identity being disclosed. Mr. Root referred to the building as "the gift of one whose name still remains in the great unknown." Over the entrance to the building is a large tablet on which the donor's name will be inscribed.

SQUADS DRILLING ON CAMPUS

Commons Now Run by Students Only

Since the sudden departure of Whitney Palmer, steward of Commons Hall, the Commons Committee composed of Meola, Adams and Whitman '17 with Bursar Coughlin acting in an advisory capacity, has been running the dining hall for the students and will continue to do so, providing the present arrangement is financially successful, as it promises to be. This committee is merely representing the students' interests without receiving any compensation for their time and services. The counter is being re-stocked with candy and smoking materials and will also be run by the committee.

When the steward left a short time ago, the committee hired the chef and purchased the kitchen equipment from Mr. Palmer. This caused some extra expense and there has been a deficit in the treasury, which is being decreased. Meola '17 said in behalf of the committee: "The co-operation of the whole college is desired by the Commons Committee to make the present arrangement a success, since today the Commons is distinctly a college institution. The committee is still maintaining the a la carte service, and is also serving two regular meals a day. Anyone in college may now obtain a meal ticket good for $5 worth of food for $4.50. This ticket is not good at the counter, which is run on a cash basis. The chef now in charge expects to leave the first of April, but the committee will have another man to take his place. This plan may be carried thru next year, if everything goes well."

TRUSTEE COMMITTEE MEETS

A meeting of the committee of Trustees appointed to select the new president was held in Utica Wednesday. Those present were Hon. Elihu Root '64, Alexander C. Soper '67, Rev. Arthur S. Hoyt '72, George E. Dunham '79, Charles B. Rogers '87, Daniel Burke '93, Wiliam M. Bristol '82. Various names were discussed and a sub-committee selected to make further inquiry as to three or four of those mentioned.

PROF. BAKER LECTURES ON AMERICAN DRAMA

Describes His Venture at Harvard and Speaks Hopefully of the "Experimental Theater"

The fourth and last Myers lecture for this season was given in the Chapel Saturday evening by Professor George Baker of Harvard, head of the department of playwrighting, on the topic "The Contemporary American Drama."

Prof. Baker first discussed the illusory attractions of dramatic art. The great number of people who wish to take playwrighting do so for two reasons: The monetary return, and the idea of influencing the public. On the surface these seem real enough, but as a matter of fact the drama is much more uncertain as an investment than Wall Street. To influence the public is even more difficult than to make money by the drama, and is an attribute of genius. "George Bernard Shaw thinks he has changed the public in England. He has—he has given the Englishman a sense of humor."

In considering the present American stage, Prof. Baker went back fifteen years to the time when American playwrights were few and Broadway was filled with English productions. Since that time there has been a steadily increasing school of serious American writers who not only supply their own stage but are sending companies to England for the war period.

True drama, however, has been handicapped by the attitude of theater managers as they, of necessity, reflect the prevalent American dramatic styles. Managers, conducting their theaters as a business, and not as an altruistic enterprise, are unable to lend themselves to the development of experimental plays. They must stage only those which are reasonably sure of success. As a result all we have at present is mere clever, effective entertainment.

Practically the only solution of this condition is the one which Prof. Baker is testing out at Harvard. Five years ago he gathered around him a small band of playwrights who were willing to force public approval

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TRIANGULAR DEBATE GOES TO BOWDOIN

Hamilton Debaters Defeat Wesleyan in College Chapel but are Defeated at Bowdoin

Last Thursday evening in the college Chapel the Hamilton negative team defeated the affirmative team from Wesleyan on the proposition of the Triangular Debate league: "Resolved, That the United States could better protect the western hemisphere by an understanding with Great Britain than by the policy known as the Monroe Doctrine." The decision of the judges, Prof. H. G. McKeon, of Union; Prof. Elmer W. Smith, of Colgate; and Principal C. S. Bragdon, of Utica Free Academy, was unanimous for the negative.

Bowdoin won the debate by defeating Hamilton's affirmative team at Bowdoin and Wesleyan's negative team at Wesleyan.

Undoubtedly the best debater on the stage was Mr. Robert Henry, of Wesleyan. He had a direct, conversational style which was both pleasing and convincing, and on him fell the burden of the work of the affirmative side. For Hamilton, Mr. G. T. Link was probably the best debater, altho both Mr. Lowell and Mr. Young had some excellent arguments, which they delivered in a favorable manner. One feature of the evening, which impressed the entire audience, was the general appearance and delivery of the Hamilton speakers.

In the absence of Dr. Stryker, who was called to New York, Prof. Lewis presided. Mr. Calveti, the first speaker for the affirmative, in giving the history of the question, brought up the present treaty between Japan and England as analogous to the proposed understanding between the United States and Great Britain. He then attempted to show that Great Britain was the only logical nation with which to form such an alliance. Mr. Lowell, the first negative speaker, presented a contrast to the first Wesleyan speaker, who weakened his speech by constantly referring to his notes. Mr. Lowell maintained that the Monroe Doctrine was a live, vital issue, and that it had always been successful in the past. He quoted the last three presidents of the United States as authorities on the ability of the Monroe Doctrine to function in time of a crisis.

Relations With South America

Mr. Radcliffe, of Wesleyan, spoke of pan-Americanism as it has been under the Monroe Doctrine, and as a case of its failure cited the friendly relations between this country and Mexico. He also pointed out the distrust in South America of the altruistic plans of the United States. Mr. Link, the second affirmative speaker, claimed there was no distrust of the United States. He then proceeded to touch on the immense wealth of the United States, and how this wealth would help to protect the Monroe

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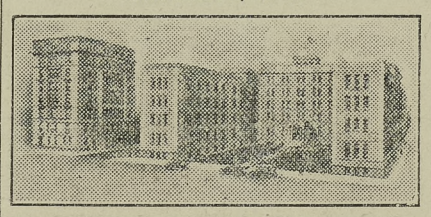

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EDITORIAL

The Donor of the Library.

The college assembled in Chapel Wednesday morning heard for the first time the name of the donor of our library, built two years ago, and ascribed as the gift of various prominent alumni and friends of the college, none of which conjectures ever suggested the name of Mrs. James. As announced in another column, a demonstration of thanks to the Mrs. James that was is only possible thru a deep spiritual appreciation of the opportunities which she has opened to us.

However, for the college proper, Life wishes to extend its heary thanks to Mr. Daniel Burke '93, of New York, for his influence, as well as to Mr. W. W. Carman. We sincerely hope that undergraduates will continue with more than ordinary zest to occupy their time within the walls of the centrum of learning.

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The Annual Swan Song.

With another Easter vacation looming on the horizon, the present Board of Editors of this publication surrenders control of its editorial guns at the dawn of a new regime. We do so with no unnatural protestations of regret, for honestly, we are glad that we are thru, tho we must not omit to say that the business of mirroring the sentiment of this Hill has been a pleasant, and more than that, a gratifying occupation. We confess a consciousness of our failures, but thru them look for future improvement.

During our year of office we have at least been honest with College life, endeavoring all the while to preserve the spirit of our Lady of the Hill, under which so many college generations have thriven, to go forth to the world with a manliness typified in such men as Elihu Root and Samuel Adams.

For one year **Life** has confined itself to the promotion of harmony among the students and the activities on the Hill, by which we include the faculty and the curriculum. Real efficiency in dividing the time spent by students in their four years here is a goal the importance of which we can not emphasize too much upon every man who enters Hamilton College. The past twelvemonth has witnessed the beginning in material form of a larger Hamilton. The freshman class has proven its quality as well as evidencing its quantity, while the changes in entrance requirements, the building of the new athletic field, the resignation of Doctor Stryker, the proposed innovations in athletic coaching and the establishment of an Infantry Corps have been of more than passing interest.

To the new regime we wish joy. Incidentally we might express our hope to see **Life** transformed from a weekly paper to a bi- or tri-weekly publication. In parting we trust that the new Board will not depart from the traditional attitude toward our esteemed contemporary "Lit." whose interests **Life** has always furthered and aided to such a material degree that our monthly magazine has at last reached the point of self-support. We trust that Life will continue to overlook the petty jealousies and small-boy's attitudes that now and then arise on the campus, which must be tolerated because they can not be eliminated. The forecast for the future is bright.

A Jew, kind friends; but read it hindcast instead of forecast.

COMMUNICATION

To the Editor of LIFE.

From reading your last issue I judge that unless war comes promptly an editorial such as that on the "Dormant Fire Department" but entitled "Our Dormant Military Training Corps," may be in order. That suspicion is the excuse for this letter.

There are obvious points of similarity between a fire department and an army aside from the momentary enthusiasm that a fire drill or a world conflagration may arouse for either. There are indications that the national bucket brigade soon may be reorganized, regardless of the German situation. If it is there will be an opportunity for students of Hamilton and other colleges to perform a service of more value to their country and to themselves than hasty and ill-considered enlistment would be. Thousands of officers will be needed. Under the law establishing the officers' reserve corps, members need give only fifteen days a year to the service except in time of national emergency. Examinations for regular second lieutenancies are open to all who wish to enter the army with commissions and the fact that only 44 per cent. of regular army officers are West Point graduates is evidence of the demand for officers.

Without venturing an opinion as to the desirability of the inclusion of military training in the college curriculum, let me point out some of the advantages of such training undertaken with a definite, rational aim and with the resolution to persevere.

Such a course means far more than the ability to execute "squads right" with snap and precision or recognizing at the command the difference between "on right into line" and "right front into line." It means the acquisition of the self-command, the self-restraint, the decisive mental qualities of an army officer together with a practical smattering of field tactics, administration, topographical map making and reading, military and interntional law and court martial proceedings.

The poise which comes with the ability to direct the movements of a hundred men or so in such a manner as to accomplish a predetermined object is merely the ability to think and talk on your feet, which is one of the oldest Hamilton ideals. The discipline which the commander of a company or even of a platoon has to impose on himself is training that will stand a man in good stead in any vocation.

Such studies as are involved in the training of an officer, with the possible exception of administrative details, constitute merely practical application of principles of mathematics, law and other subjects. Even the study of administration is not without its value in civil life for it means a knowledge of a business organization designed to withstand the stress of war and systematized to the last detail.

I do not want to bore you but I do want cordially to second your efforts to have Hamilton approach the subject of military training in a sane and deliberate way and, if the subject is once established, to make it the victim of chronic insomnia. The hip-hip,hurrah spirit is fine as evidence of determined, basic patriotism, but modern warfare, like latter-day stays, is practically hipless.

Yours very truly,
Robert B. Peck '07.

TRIANGULAR DEBATE GOES TO BOWDOIN

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Doctrine, since no nation would care to fight a nation as potentially strong as ours. Instead of an understanding with Great Britain it would be better to co-operate with the A B C powers to protect the western hemisphere.

Mr. Henry closed the argument for the affirmative. He pointed out that the proposed understanding with Great Britain would give the two countries the undisputed control of the seas, and that no nation would care to fight for, he said, nations do not make war unless they expect to win. The understanding would thus lessen the probabilities of war. Mr. Young, speaking last for the negative, said that the Monroe Doctrine was the wall behind which we had built our democracy. Our nation had developed itself by a policy of isolation, and we must continue this policy, and not throw ourselves on the mercies of Great Britain.

In the rebuttal Mr. Lowell held that there was no danger from an offensive war by either Germany or Japan. Mr. Calveti again brought up the alliance between Japan and England, and he showed that Japan did not have to go to war in 1914. Mr. Link spoke convincingly in rebuttal, saying that if South America distrusts us now, she certainly will distrust us more when we ally ourselves with Great Britain. Mr. Radcliffe showed there was distrust, and that England would help to remedy this feeling. Mr. Young summed up the debate for the negative, and he added that England would aid now in maintaining the Monroe Doctrine, for it was to her best interests to do so. Mr. Henry attempted to prove that the understanding would serve the same ends as the Monroe Doctrine but in a better manner. The judges gave their decision immediately, casting the vote unanimously for the negative.

—As announced last week, the annual Indoor Interclass meet will be held in the Gymnasium tomorrow night.

Spice o' Life.

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The glorious Spring hath sprung;
Yea, sprung hath the glorious Spring.
When the suckers bite we'll have succertash,
We'll have more flies in the Commons hash,
The freshmen need an additional smash,
And Cal's tongue adds an extra lash,
Since sprung hath the glorious Spring

In Freshman Bible

Prex: Who was Hannah?
Coonradt: Our cook.

Repeated by Request

"One swallow does not make a summer," The long-forgotten poet sings; Still I have seen a small grasshopper Make half-a-dozen springs.

Speaking of Commons—

"Charge!" orders Trot.
"Cash transactions only," replies Mooch stolidly.

Oh Paul!

Frosh: Is this a pneumatic tire?
Prof. Fancher: No, it's a new Hartford tire.

Short Verse

If you cut
Spanish,
You but
Banish
Sleep!

If Supe
Is boring,
The group
Is snoring;—
Sleep!

Ex-Pres. Roosevelt is expected on the Hill shortly to confer with Jas. Thompson of the Junior Class as to the wisdom of his leading a force to France. Mr. Thompson, who is from New Jersey or thereabouts, has long been one of the Colonel's steadiest and most influential supporters.

Horticultural Investigations

A certain Phi Beta Kappa man in the undergraduate body has discovered that the best way to make tulips sprout is by frequent applications of "do."

Rookie: We Rookies will be pretty tired on April 1st. General.
"General" Trot: How is that?
Rooked: Why after 31 days of March.

In Freshman Latin

Question: What were the politics of Horace?
Answer: Horace was partly an Epicurean and Partly a Static.

72,000 VOLUMES IN LIBRARY

Records made by Prof. Ibbotson to date show that the library now contains over 72,000 volumes, of which 3,800 volumes have been added since the first of last June, or an average purchase of more than 300 books a month.

A consignment of 150 volumes was imported last week and similar or larger shipments are made from England for the library each month. Many of the books just imported relate to the war. Prof. Ibbotson is constantly receiving American publications on military tactics and says that there is a good circulation of books on this subject. No periodicals or books can be obtained from Germany at present.

PROF. BAKER LECTURES ON AMERICAN DRAMA

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in the background and work for the production of true American plays. In and around Boston Prof. Baker found a group of people whose specialties were scenic effects, acting, lighting, etc., and who were willing to combine with him in the establishment of an experimental theater. With a capital of $500 the start was made, and it has grown so rapidly that at the present time for about $1500 four full-sized plays and any number of one-act sketches are presented every year.

A limited membership of 400 finances the work by voluntary contribution and in return are the guests at each production. One requirement of each member is that after leaving the theater he shall write a signed criticism of the play. The criticisms are gone over by the author and by Prof. Baker and the play is then re-written with the view of better conveying to the audience the ideas which the playwright has in mind. In the estimation of Prof. Baker it is only by such personal co-operation that the American drama can come to its own.

As to the future of the American drama, Prof. Baker was optimistic. "The experimental stage will be the home of the real American play," he declared. Forty of these little theaters are now in existence and they are winning the approval and support of the public. "The great American play is an impossibility on account of the sectional life in this country, but it will not be long before we get plays here which are written from the personal experiences and home-life of the author."

—Clinton Scollard '81 is a member of the "Vigilantes," an organization of well-known writers and artists which was formed in New York last week to stir up a greater sense of public duty thru current literature. The "Vigilantes" are pledged to work for mental, moral and physical preparedness.

—Sandblom '20 has been forced to leave college on account of illness.

—Gulden '20 has left college.

NEW JERSEY GLEE CONTESTS

East Orange High School has entered the Interscholastic Glee Club contest to be held May 19 under the auspices of the New Jersey Alumni Association. This, with Barringer and Central of Newark, and Dickinson of Jersey City, bring the four largest high schools in the state into the contest. Lincoln High of Jersey City has also entered, and two or three more are expected before the date of the contest.

WILLIAM JAMES WALLACE

William James Wallace '57, former United States Circuit judge and mayor of Syracuse in 1873, died on March 11 at Jacksonville, Fla. He was a graduate of the law department of Hamilton under Prof. Theodore Dwight, taking his degree in 1858.

DR. WALCOTT HONORED

To the honors showered upon Dr. Charles D. Walcott '98, secretary of the Smithsonian Institute of Washington, D. C., has just been added the one of being elected to a corresponding membership of the Royal Geographical Society of London. Such honor is conferred upon geographers of other than British nationality who have added to knowledge in the history of the world and its peoples. It was making known to the world geographically and geologically the American and Canadian Rocky Mountains that this honor was won. As director of the Smithsonian Institute since 1907, Dr. Walcott has conducted many scientific explorations in this country and abroad, and by his personal researches has contributed much to the advancement of science in America. He has been elected to numerous scientific societies, and also holds membership in or degrees from institutions of London, Christiana, Rome, Mexico and Canada.

—Elihu Root Presided at a meeting at the December Club of Utica last Wednesday at which Romulo S. Naon, Argentine Ambassador to the United States, spoke.

REV. HALLMAN CALLED

—Harold E. Hallman '05 has been chosen pastor of the Memorial Presbyterian Church of Utica to succeed the late Dana W. Bigelow '65. Mr. Hallman is pastor of the Immanuel Presbyterian Church of Harrisburg, Pa. The Rev. Charles M. Dodge '91, pastor of the Bethany Presbyterian Church, acted as moderator at the congregational meeting which sent the formal call to Mr. Hallman. The latter was valedictorian of his class at Hamilton, and later graduated from Princeton Theologicl Seminary. He will assume his new pastorate the first of May.

—The schedule for the Easter trip of the Baseball team is now complete. Nineteen games have been secured, the last one, to be played with St. Stephen's College at Annandale-on-Hudson Monday, April 16th., was secured yesterday by Manager Kelly. All hitherto doubtful dates are now certain, and it is planned to take the most extensive trip ever taken by the college nine.

—Keane, Clark, MacEwan, Barnet and Tower '20 are out for assistant manager of Baseball.

—Charles A. Johnson ex-'97, formerly of Franklinville, recently became superintendent of schools in Moab, Utah.

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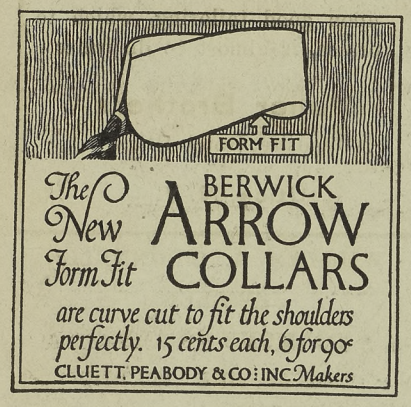
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DEXTER OPTIMISTIC ABOUT BASEBALL

Coach Finds Promising Material and Hopes for Successful Season. Strong Pitching Staff

Coach Dexter is generally optimistic considering the work necessary to complete this year's nine.

Aside from the pitching department, there are only three of last year's regulars around which to develop a team, Capt. Behan, Peck and Cavanagh, which leaves another catcher, first base, second base, third base, and two outfield positions to be filled from the material at hand.

Coach Dexter predicts a merry race for first base honors with Donoghue, Johnson, Gorman, Moffat, Baumler and Farrar in line for the position. Peck will probably be called upon to do the bulk of the catching with Gorman, Russell and Spinning fighting for alternate.

Moffat is one member of the freshman class who looks as tho he could be counted upon as a member of the 1917 infield. He has all the actions of an experienced ball player—in the cage batting practice he takes a good clean cut at the ball and he can also lay down bunts with the best of them.

The coach was particularly cheerful with regard to the pitchers. With Whitman, Schwartz, Root, Johnson and Farrar, he feels that Hamilton is due for some first-class pitching this season and if the team can give the above-mentioned pitchers a few runs to work on they ought to turn in a maority of games in the win column at the end of the season. The recruit pitchers, Johnson and Farrar, have been showing up in good shape; they have had considerable experience as pitchers, and both have also played in the infield, and it would not be surprising to see them in every game played this year.

Coach Dexter hopes for at least four or five days of outdoor practice before picking the men for the Easter trip. If this cannot be had the team will have to be selected from the 21 men who are now doing cage work in the gym.

Last Saturday the squad was cut to this number in order to give all the time left to get fully prepared for the trip. However, all candidates who have been dropped, it is hoped, will report again after Easter, as the cut was only made that the coach might concentrate on these 21 men. A complete set of signals and some plays have been worked up which will be given to the team this week. The following men are still on the squad: Baumler, Bentley, Bratton, Behan. Brooks, Cavanagh, D'Amico. Donoghue, Elliott, Farrar, Fursman, Gorman, Johnson, Moffat, Peck, Powers, Root, Russell, Schwartz, Spinning, Whitman.

Y. M. C. A. ELECTIONS

At the annual Y. M. C. A. elections held last night in Silliman Hall, Huntsman '18 was elected president, Beach '18, vice-president, Keeler '19, treasurer, and Turner '20, secretary.

—Richard E. Morris '03, last year principal of the Danbury High School, is now principal of the academic department of the Fredonia Normal School.

BOWDOIN HAS WITHDRAWN FROM DEBATE LEAGUE

The announcement of Bowdoin's withdrawal from the Triangular Debating league, which Prof. Lewis has received since the recent contests, opens up the whole question of intercollegiate debating at Hamilton. The reasons which Bowdoin gave were the distance from the other two colleges and the expense involved. While no word has been received as yet from Wesleyan, Bowdoin's withdrawal necessitates the formation of a new league or at least the selection of another college to take her place.

Prof. Lewis desires to put the question before the men of the college who are interested, in regard to the continuance of intercollegiate debating at Hamilton, the plan to be followed, and colleges to be met. Altho a good number tried out this year only two of the Senior prize debaters were on the intercollegiate team.

"Hal" Woods Writes From Verdun Front

Has Car Blown Up in Bombardment. Visits Trenches and Finds Them Luxurious. Water Little Used

Letters from "Hal" Woods from his station at the Front have just been received by two men on the Hill. Hal's letters, mailed the latter part of January, arrived after passing thru the hands of two censors. A part of one letter follows: "Tom Orr reached Paris the night I left for the front. He has since gone with Section 13. I am with Section 8. We went first to the Somme, then to the Argonne, and finally ended up in the Verdun sector. The day after we got to our section our town was bombarded, and one shell landed in the yard where we kept our cars. Three of them were blown sky high; one of them was mine. All I saved from the flames was the board having the number of the car on it.

It isn't so hard to get up here in the morning as it was on the Hill for we sleep with all our clothes on. Our quarters are in a barn, and there is no fireplace. The only hot water we have is drawn from our radiators. As a result, in this cold weather we are having, we don't wash or get undressed at night. We get a seven days' leave every three months, so we wait for our leave until we take a bath. It isn't so bad as it sounds.

In one of the sectors we were allowed to go thru the trenches. It was quite a surprise to find the wonderful system they have. Of course they had electric lights and were well built. We expected that, but it was unusual to see wall paper in the officers' quarters and soft rugs and good furniture. Arrangements and furnishings such as that are only in the trenches captured from the Germans. The French would never do it. Yet they looked very much contented.

For four weeks now at the front I have not taken any water to speak of. They have to disinfect the water before they can use it, and it is not good fresh spring water that they disinfect. The resulting product is water which has the most disagreeable odor and taste. So every one drinks pinard or a cheap French wine. The poilus are crazy over it and make a good meal out of plain unbuttered bread if they can have pinard to wash it down with. They are allowed a liter a day, but all the extra money they have goes for extra pinard. Every time we go to a poste de secour the men in the trenches send down by us for an extra supply. On my last trip to town with bles[illegible] I had over forty canteens. When I went thru the trenches the next day the poilu who was with me announced my arrival at every turn with "Here's the fellow who brought all that pinard yesterday," and then half a dozen heads would appear smiling and thanking me until I was out of sight.

We couldn't get any more coal day before yesterday and our wood supply ran out, so we went to C— and obtained permission to tear down one of the houses. The town has been shot all to pieces, and no one has lived in it since 1915. We took the frame work down, sawed and chopped up the beams, and with the aid of two cars laid in a supply for several weeks.

When I was going thru St. M— today a German plane came in sight and flew over the town. About two divisions of the army were then marching thru the streets toward the railroad station. Before you could count ten the streets were clear. The French battery popped at it from the hill but it didn't touch it, and with a few circles the plane sailed off without dropping any bombs. I have been very fortunate so far. I only hope that I keep on."

CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT

There will be a concert of chamber music at the home of Dr. A. P. Saunders on Saturday next, March 31st, at 8 o'clock. Besides Dr. Saunders, the following artists will take part: Mr. Ulysse Buhler, of Pittsfield, Mass., piano; Miss Littlehales, of New York, violoncello; Miss North, of New York, viola; Mr. Edgar Alderwick, of Utica, violin. The program will be a quintet for the piano and strings, by Cesar Franck, and a quartet for piano and strings, in G minor, by Brahms.

In addition Mr. Buhler and Miss Littlehales will play solo numbers.

An invitation is extended to the college, and particularly to the unaffiliated men.

POMEROY FUND INCREASED

At the fall meeting of the Board of Trustees the College Growth Committee announced the gift of $2,500 from Robert W. Pomeroy, of Buffalo, to be used as the nucleus of a larger fund to be known as the Theodore M. Pomeroy Loan Fund. The latter was a member of the Class of 1847 and for a number of years a College Trustee. At the meetings of the various alumni associations within the past few months, the discussion of additions to this fund has received considerable attention. The Brooklyn Association was first into line with a subscription of $250, the New Jersey men have promised an indefinite amount, and other organizations are expected to report their pledges shortly.

MUSICAL CLUBS PLEASE IN UTICA CONCERT

New Centruy Auditorium Hears Good Performance. Violin Solo by Turner '20

The Musical Clubs were at their best Friday night at the New Century Auditorium in Utica. An appreciative audience alternately listened in rapt attention to the soloists, thrilled with the stirring renditions of the Glee Club, and indulged in mild convulsions at the pranks of the Quartet.

With the exception of a violin solo by Turner '20, in place of the saxaphone solo by Schwartz '20, the usual program was adhered to. The "Moment Musicale" by Turner was listened to with great interest and he responded to a persistent encore with "Rondino."

After getting away to a flying start, the Light Artillery seemed to be hampered by the woeful efforts of the saxaphone which finally gave up with a croak. But "Freddie", recalling the days of sophomore biology, pricked up his ears at the sound of the croak, and after investigation, extricated two frogs from the depths of the saxaphone. Whereupon the Quintet once more got under way and soared to a glorious finish.

After he had chased the obnoxious "Addie" from the stage, Lewis '17 made a hit as monologist, despite the fact that he abruptly broke off in the midst of the "Shooting of Dan Magrew," either because Addie bothered him so much or, more likely, because the notorious "Dan" refused to be shot again.

The "Italian Street Song," rendered by Peters and Salbitano '20, needs to be mentioned because of its uniqueness and the warm reception accorded it. Following the concert dancing continued till twelve to the strain of Miss Helen Ryan's orchestra. The concert was given under the auspices of the Kappa Epsilon sorority.

BOWLING TOURNAMENT

The Bowling tournament is fast drawing to a close with more than half the contests already rolled off. In the first match Chi Psi defeated Theta Delt. In the other matches thus far, Psi U defeated Theta Delt, Chi Psi defeated Deke, Chi Psi defeated Psi U, D. U. defeated Theta Delt, and D. U. defeated Chi Psi.

This leaves the standing of the crowds: D. U., Chi Psi, Psi U., and Deke and Theta Delt tied for last place.

DR. STRYKER MAKES ADDRESS

President Stryker was one of the speakers at the luncheon of the Republican Club in New York City on Saturday. He declared that the ideals of America had been challenged by the trend of recent events and that the country has been passing thru a stage of mental probation. "I am proud that the United States is waking up at last," he said. "The day of action has come."

Major General Leonard Wood and Charles Edward Russell, the noted Socialist, also spoke.

—Easter vacation is from 5.30 April 5th until 8.00 a. m. April 17th.